

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115–**23****OFFERED BY MR. FOSTER OF ILLINOIS**

At the end of subtitle B of title XXXI, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 3124. ENHANCING NUCLEAR FORENSICS CAPABILI-**
2 **TIES.**

3 (a) REPORT ON NUCLEAR FORENSICS ADVISORY
4 PANEL.—

5 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of De-
6 fense, in consultation with the Secretary of Energy
7 and the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall sub-
8 mit a report describing a joint recommendation for
9 establishing an independent Nuclear Forensics Advi-
10 sory Panel of recognized experts not directly associ-
11 ated with the Federal laboratories.

12 (2) ROLE OF INDEPENDENT PANEL.—The
13 function of such an independent panel should be to
14 provide independent validation of any Federal nu-
15 clear forensics analysis.

16 (3) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after
17 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secre-
18 taries referred to in paragraph (1) shall submit a re-

1 port on the structure and membership of the panel
2 required by that paragraph. The report shall be sub-
3 mitted to—

4 (A) the Committee on Appropriations,
5 Committee on Armed Services, and Committee
6 on Homeland Security of the House of Rep-
7 resentatives; and

8 (B) the Committee on Appropriations,
9 Committee on Armed Services, and Committee
10 on Homeland Security and Government Affairs
11 of the Senate.

12 (b) PRESIDENTIAL REPORT ON INVOLVEMENT OF
13 SENIOR-LEVEL EXECUTIVE BRANCH LEADERSHIP IN
14 CERTAIN EXERCISES THAT INCLUDE NUCLEAR
15 FORENSICS ANALYSIS.—Not later than 90 days after the
16 date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall sub-
17 mit a report on the involvement of senior-level executive
18 branch leadership in planned nuclear terrorism prepared-
19 ness exercises that have nuclear forensics analysis as a
20 component of the exercise. The report shall be submitted
21 to—

22 (1) the Committee on Appropriations, the Com-
23 mittee on Armed Services, and the Committee on
24 Homeland Security of the House of Representatives;
25 and

1 (2) the Committee on Appropriations, the Com-
2 mittee on Armed Services, and the Committee on
3 Homeland Security and Government Affairs of the
4 Senate.

